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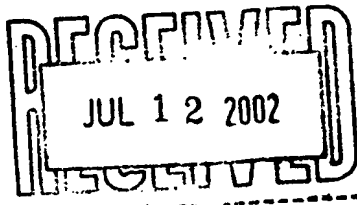
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In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants hereby submits the following information in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, a copy of each of the documents cited is enclosed.

**U.S. Patent Documents**

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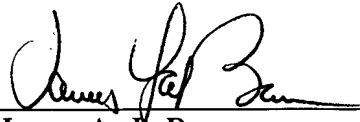
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